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re: Microsoft Settlement

The proposed Microsoft settlement is a ghastly piece of work that:

- Does not serve the public good
- Does not punish Microsoft for its past transgressions (for which it was found guilty)
- Does not provide adequate remedies to prevent future illegal and/or monopoly activities
- Actually has the potential to increase Microsoft's dominance of the marketplace.

I urge you to discard the current proposed settlement and start over with something that more properly addresses the court's concerns, creates opportunities for other companies to compete against Microsoft, and provides better protection for non-profit Open Source efforts.

Sincerely,

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